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Subject: TFIZ01: UAEG CONSIDERS REQUEST TO DONATE REFINED

PETROLEUM PRODUCTS TO IRAQ

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SUBJECT: TFIZ01: UAEG CONSIDERS REQUEST TO DONATE

REFINED PETROLEUM PRODUCTS TO IRAQ

REFS: A) STATE 93779

B) ABU DHABI 1830 AND PREVIOUS

 $\P1$. (U) Classified by Ambassador Marcelle M. Wahba for reasons 1.5 (B) and (D).

12. (C) Ambassador delivered 4/18 DoD Undersecretary Dov Zakheim's letter to UAE Minister of State for

Foreign Affairs Shaykh Hamdan bin Zayid Al-Nahyan, requesting the UAEG to donate petroleum products to Iraq. The letter listed the quantities of petroleum products in ref A demarche. Shaykh Hamdan indicated that the UAE would consider providing refined petroleum products to Iraq, but said the UAEG would want to be compensated out of future Iraqi production. We understand that Washington agencies are looking into the legality and modality of swap options, and would appreciate guidance we can share with the UAEG.

(C) The Ambassador further raised ref A points with UAE Armed Forces Chief of Staff Shaykh Mohammed bin Zayid Al-Nahyan. MbZ was aware of the demarche and admitted that he had been somewhat taken aback by the sheer volume of what was being requested, as well as the number of items on the laundry list of needed supplies. Were we asking the UAEG to provide all of the items or were certain items higher priorities than others? This should be specified. MbZ also suggested that the requests for oil or oil products should follow the 80-10-10 formula based on national oil output -- that is, we ask Saudi Arabia to provide 80 percent of the required oil, and approach Kuwait and the UAE to each provide 10 percent of the requirements. Post notes that previous requests for oil assistance to Jordan, for example, followed this formula.

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